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1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED COPY OF LETTER DATED 16 JULY FOR DUNNING FROM ZAYTSEV. INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF TEXT FOLLOWS:

2. BEGIN QOUTE. DURING THE VISIT TO MOSCOW OF MR. W. ROOT OF THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT, WE ARRIVED AT THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDINGS DURING MEETINGS AT THE MINISTRY OF THE GAS INDUSTRY AND THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY.

FIRST. IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR SUGGESTIONS REGARDING THE EXCLUSION OF A SERIES OF POINTS FROM THE PROTOCOL OF THE SECOND JOINT SESSION OF THE GROUP OF GAS EXPORTS (JANUARY 1976), MR. ROOT PREPARED, WITH THE NECESSARY ALTERATIONS, THE VARIANT OF THE PROTOCOL; SIGNED IT IN YOUR NAME; AND PROVIDED IT TO US FOR FURTHER ADJUSTING.

SECOND. WE WERE INFORMED OF THE POSSIBILITY IN PRINCIPLE OF A VISIT TO THE U.S. OF THE TWO GROUPS OF SOVIET SPECIALISTS MENTIONED IN OUR LETTER OF 3 MAY. AT THE SAME TIME, WE GAVE MR. ROOT OUR DRAFT PROGRAMS, FOR A VISIT TO THE U.S., OF A GROUP ON INTENSIFICATION IN PRODUCTION OF GAS CONDENSATION FROM PRODUCTIVE

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STRATA.

3. THE DRAFT PRORAMS OF THE VISIT  
TO THE U.S. OF THE DELEGATION OF SOVIET SPECIALISTS ON THE SUBJECT  
"INCREASED EFFICIENCY IN UTILIZATION OF NATURAL GAS" WILL BE  
SENT TO YOU LATER FOR APPROVAL.

4. IN OUR TURN, WE INFORMED MR. ROOT OF THE POSSIBILITY OF  
ACCEPTING THE USSR GROUPS OF AMERICAN EXPERTS ON THE TWO SUBJECTS  
MENTIONED IN OUR LETTER OF 3 MAY OF THIS YEAR AND, IN ADDITION,  
ON THE SUBJECT "BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE OF CITY GAS SYSTEMS"  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WISHES YOU EEXPRESSED IN THE LETTER OF  
10 MARCH.

5. WE HAVE CARRIED OUT THE NECESSARY COORDINATION WITH THE RSFSR  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL ECONOMY (SEE OUR LETTER OF  
16 JULY 1976 - (REFTEL)).

6. THIRD. CONSIDERING THE MUTUAL INTEREST IN COOPERATION ON THE  
THEME "CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF PIPELINES AND WELLS UNDER  
ARCTIC CONDITIONS," TOGETHER WITH THE MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION  
ENTERPRISES IN THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY, WE ARE CONSIDERING THE  
POSSIBILITY OF ORGANIZING A TRIP TO OUR COUNTRY BY A U.S.  
DELEGATION ON THIS SUBJECT.

7. MR. ROOT INFORMED US THAT THE AMERICAN SIDE IS PREPARED TO  
ACCEPT SOVIET SPECIALISTS FOR A VISIT OF INDUSTRIAL SITES AND  
PIPELINES IN ALASKA. APPARENTLY, AN EXCHANGE OF VISITS WILL BE  
POSSIBLE IN 1977.

8. WE ARE SENDING YOU THE TEXT OF THE PROTOCOL IN ENGLISH WHICH WE  
HAVE SIGNED AND A COPY OF THE PROTOCOL IN RUSSIAN FOR THE AMERICAN  
SIDE TO SIGN. AFTER SIGNING THE FIRST RUSSIAN-LANGUAGE COPY OF  
THE PROTOCOL PLEASE RETURN IT TO US. (NOTE. EMBASSY DID NOT  
RECEIVE COPY OF "PROTOCOL.")

9. AT THE SAME TIME, PLEASE CONFIRM THE POSSIBILITY OF ACCEPTING  
IN THE U.S. A SEVEN-MAN DELEGATION OF SOVIET SPECIALISTS ON THE  
SUBJECT "INCREASING GAS-CONDENSATION EFFICIENCY OF  
INDUSTRIAL STRATA" IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF THE YEAR FOR A PERIOD  
OF 15 DAYS, TENTATIVELY FROM THE 7TH TO THE 21ST OF SEPTEMBER,  
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THE DRAFT PROGRAM OF WHICH WAS GIVEN TO MR. W. ROOT. END QUOTE.

10. COPY HAS BEEN POUCHED TO OES/APT/SEP, REGISTRY NUMBER  
3584535. AS NOTED, "PROTOCOL" NOT RECEIVED BY EMBASSY.  
WHEN PROTOCOL IS RECEIVED, PLEASE PROVIDE COPIES OF BOTH TEXTS  
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